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SUBJ: VISIT OF MINISTER DELFIN UGARTE

REF: USDOC 9032

1. MINISTER UGARTE AND I ARE MOST APPRECIATIVE OF ASSISTANCE WHICH USDOC IS PROVIDING FOR THE VISIT. HE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THANKING UNDER SECRETARY HARMAN FOR THIS HELP DURING HIS CALL ON JUNE 1. IN THIS CONNECTION, I WONDER IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE, DURING VISIT WITH UNDER SECRETARY HARMAN, FOR MINISTER UGARTE TO SHAKE HANDS WITH SECRETARY KREPS, AND CONGRATULATE HER ON HER APPOINTMENT.

2. MINISTER HAS MADE TWO CHANGES IN HIS SCHEDULE. HE PLANS TO ELIMINATE THE PROPOSES STOP IN SAN FRANCISCO AND CHANGE THE DATE OF HIS VISIT TO CHICAGO. HE WILL FLY DIRECTLY FROM NEW YORK TO LOS ANGELES ON JUNE 9 AND REMAIN THERE UNTIL JUNE 12 WHEN HE WILL FLY TO CHICAGO. ON THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 14, HE WILL LEAVE CHICAGO FOR TORONTO TO BEGIN HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO CANADA. THE MINISTER PLANS TO LEAVE CANADA THE MORNING OF JUNE 17 TO RETURN TO PARAGUAY. HE WILL RETURN DIRECTLY
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TO ASUNCION, BUT WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO CHANGE PLANES SOMEWHERE IN U.S. EMBASSY WILL CONFIRM THIS PART OF SCHEDULE LATER.

3. ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS HAS BEEN INFORMED OF CHANGE BY PARAGUAYAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. WE CONFIRMED CHANGE TO THE ILLINOIS REPRESENTATIVE IN SAO PAULO.

4. MINISTER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED THROUGHOUT THE TRIP, INCLUDING THE CANADIAN VISIT, BY: EMILIO RAMIREZ RUSSO, HEAD OF TECHNICAL CABINET OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY; OSVALDO UGARTE, SON OF MINISTER AND BUSINESSMAN, AGE 26; ENRIQUE UGARTE, YOUNGER SON, AGED 16, WHO IS BILINGUAL AND WILL ACT AS TRANSLATOR; JESUS MANUEL PALLARES, IMPORTER AND INDUSTRIALIST, REPRESENTS GRAVELY CO. OF U.S. FOR SMALL TRACTORS AND LAWNMOWERS AND SELLS TOYOTA TRUCKS TO GOP, AND IS LARGEST IMPORTER AND DISTRIBUTOR OF BUTANE GAS IN PARAGUAY; RAUL DIAZ DE ESPADA, LEADING IMPORTER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND FOODSTUFFS, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, NEWSPRINT AND OTHER PAPER PRODUCTS; AND ARMADO ARTAZA, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF GENERAL ELECTRIC, WHO WAS ASKED BY HEAD OFFICE IN U.S. TO MAKE TRIP WITH MINISTER. IN ADDITION, MARCOS ISMACHOWIEZ, DIRECTOR OF PLASTIMAR ICSA, PRODUCERS OF MACGREGOR SPORTSWEAR IN PARAGUAY, IS ALREADY IN U.S. TO ASSIST WITH ADVANCE PREPARATIONS AND WILL ACCOMPANY MINISTER IN HIS WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK VISITS.

5. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONFIRMING THE ABOVE INFORMATION WILL LLANES AND JULIO CESAR GUTIERREZ OF PARAGUAYAN EMBASSY AND IBRD RESPECTIVELY, AND KEEPING THEM BOTH POSTED AS THE SCHEDULE DEVELOPS. PLEASE ALSO INFORM US OF THE NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF COMMERCE OFFICER HANDLING SCHEDULE IN CASE WE HAVE TO MAKE LAST MINUTE CHANGES.

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